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Literacy in Villages
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed a target to achieve hundred per cent literacy in the villages adopted under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana by March, 2016;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) the level of literacy in each State and the amount spent on this scheme in each State; and
(d) the time by which complete literacy is likely to be achieved in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) In order to give fillip to the advancement of goals and objectives of Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) relating to adult education, an initiative was undertaken to align the Saakshar Bharat programme with SAGY in Saakshar Bharat districts through convergence of existing resources available under the scheme. As a part of this initiative, it was aimed to make all out efforts to achieve 100 per cent literacy in 408 Saansad Adarsh Grams in 276 Saakshar Bharat districts spread in 23 States and 1 UT by 31st March, 2016.
(b) A statement indicating State/districts-wise details of number of Saansad Adarsh Grams under Saakshar Bharat programme is at Annexure-I.
(c) A statement indicating State and Gender-wise details of literacy rates, in the age group of 7 and above, as reported by Census 2011 and a statement indicating State/UT-wise central share released under Saakshar Bharat programme during the last three years are at Annexure-II and Annexure-III respectively.
(d) Plan-wise targets are fixed to achieve higher levels of literacy in a phased manner. The present target is to raise the overall literacy rate of the country to 80 per cent and reduce the gender gap to 10 percentage points by the end of XII Five Year Plan.
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